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(c) whether any action has been taken against the weavers and temple authorities under the Temple Entry Authorization Act and Removal of Civil Disabilities Act?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : (a) There is no village of the name of Nedunkuli in Wandiwash taluk. On 25th May 1955, a temple in Nedungunam village of that taluk was thrown open to Harijans, in the presence of some prominent persons, and the occasion was also availed of by the local Harijans to celebrate the wedding of a Harijan Engineerng graduate at the temple. The Member is presumably referring to this matter. It has been reported that the temple authorities fully co-operated with the Harijans on the occasion and that though the weavers of Nedungunam did not quite relish the celebration, they did not give vent to their feelings in any manner.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(Starred question No. 2738 postponed to to-morrow.)

Starting of heavy industries

* 2739 Q.—SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIYAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number and names of the heavy industries proposed to be started in the State and submitted to the Central Government by the State Government during the years 1947–54;

(b) whether any sanction was accorded to start any of these industries;

(c) whether any proposals for the starting of heavy industries in the State have been sent for inclusion in the Second-Five Year Plan; and

(d) if so, what they are and what their cost is?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) The State Government did not draw up and submit during the period 1947–54 any detailed scheme to establish heavy industries in Madras State. But they requested the Government of India to investigate the possibility of setting up in South India an iron and steel industry to utilise the iron ore found in Salem district with the help of lignite from South Arcot district and also an aluminium industry to utilise bauxite found in the Shevaroy Hills in Salem district

(b) No, Sir.

(c) & (d) Apart from the integrated lignite scheme at Neyveli which is expected to be implemented by the Government of India, proposals for the establishment of the following heavy

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industries have been included in the draft Second-Five Year Plan for Madras State forwarded to the Planning Commission for consideration :

	Name of Schedule	Total cost RUPEES IN LAKHS.)
1	Manufacture of aluminium and products of aluminium	898·68
2	Pilot blast furnace for utilising the Salem iron ore	200·00
3	Manufacture of Special and alloy steels ..	152·40
4	Unit for the manufacture of steel casting and forgings	176·00
5	Manufacture of electrical transformers and switch gears	250·0
6	Manufacture of sulphuric acid and fertilizer using gypsum	52·40

* 2740 *Q.*—(Postponed to to-morrow).

The Fertilizers and Chemicals Limited, Travancore

* 2741 *Q.*—SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total amount paid by the State Government towards shares in Fertilizers and Chemicals, Travancore, Limited;

(*b*) when the amount was paid;

(*c*) the net amount realised if any, by way of dividend or otherwise so far;

(*d*) the present market value of the said shares; and

(*e*) with what object the shares were originally subscribed to?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) A sum of Rs. 41 lakhs was paid by the Composite Madras State and the Ex-Pudukkottai State, out of which Rs. 25,69,330 is treated as the share of the present Madras State.

(*b*) The amount was paid partly in 1945–46 and partly in 1948–49.

(*c*) Rs. 1,02,500.

(*d*) Rs. 6–6–0 per share of the value of Rs. 10.

(*e*) The shares were originally subscribed with the object of ensuring to the agriculturist of this State an adequate supply of ammonium sulphate, a chemical manure.

(Starred question No. 2742 postponed to to-morrow.)

Minister's visit to Attappady

* 2743 *Q.*—SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN (on behalf of Sri K. C. Gopalan Unni) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Hon. Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport visited Attappady in Mannarghat Firka, Malabar in April 1955;